Companies having collaboration for Rent-a-Car service

1236. SHRI K. V. THANGKABALU: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state;

(a) what are the names of com panies which have collaboration for Rent-a-Car service;

(b) what is the amount of know-how fees to be paid and also the amount towards royalty payment; and

(c) in what manner additional foreign exchange will be earned through such collaboration or it will take away the foreign exchange being earned by local Rent-a-Car service companies?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU); (a) The names of Indian Companies who have foreign collaboration for Rent-a-Car scheme is as follows:—

1. M/s. Transport Corporation of India with M/s Hertz International Ltd., USA.

2. M/s. Sapna Tours Travels & Leasing Pvt. Ltd. with M/s. Budget Rent-a-Car Inc., USA.

3. M/s. Vins Overseas India Pvt. Ltd. with M/s. Europecar International, France.

The collaboration of M/s. Vins Overseas India Pvt- Ltd. with M/s. Europe-car International, France has expired on 15-10-1989; renewal has not been made so far.

(b) A lump-sum know-how fee has been paid by the Indian Companies to the foreign Companies and some royalties would also be paid to' foreign Companies depending on the business generated, with a upper ceiling.

(c) The foreign collaboration pro vides for advertising arrangements all over the world where they adver tise. Rent-a-Car Scheme is expected to earn foreign exchange as visiting tourists from abroad would book their cars well in advance through foreign collaborators.

Raids conducted at the premises opersons/companies connected with the Film Industry

1237. SHRI VITHALBHAI M. PATEL; Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a num ber of raids have been carried out by the Income-tax authorities to unearth unaccounted money during the last three months, if so, what are the de-tails thereof;

(lb) whether any raids have been conducted at the premises of persons or companies connected with the fllm. industry; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof along with the names of such companies or personalities?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (PROF. MADHU DANDAVATE): (a) Yes, Sir. During the last three months i.e. from *1-12-89* to 28-2-90 the income tax Department conducted 401 searches. During the course of these searches, *Prima facie* unaccounted assets of the value of Rs. 15.67 crores were seized, besides incriminating documents. The persons searched in their statements on oath, given during the course of these searches, have in aggregate admitted unaccounted income to the tune of Rs. 25.94 crores.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Search operations were conducted at the premises of Mr. Bijon Das Gupta, Art Director of Films in Bombay during January, 1990.

राष्ट्रीय वस्त्र निगम गुजरात द्वारा चलाई जा रही मिलों में उत्पादन

1238. श्री मिर्जा इशबिंबेग : क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) पिछले दो वर्षों के दौरान राष्ट्रीय वस्त्र, निगम, गुजरात द्वारा चलाई